



**Best Buy Canada's School Tech Grant program, in partnership with Samsung Canada, awards more than \$125,000 to elementary and secondary schools across Canada**

*Thirteen schools to receive grants for new computers and digital devices to inspire, motivate and empower students through new technology skills*

**Announcement Highlights:**

- From more than 730 applicants, 13 elementary and secondary schools across Canada have been awarded grants of up to \$10,000 each from Best Buy Canada, in partnership with Samsung Canada.
- Recipients will use grants to integrate technology into the classroom, empowering students to gain skills needed to advance their education.

**(Burnaby, BC) February 8, 2021** – Best Buy Canada is proud to announce the 13 elementary and secondary schools, selected from more than 730 applications, to receive a combined \$128,000 in funding for tech-based curriculums through the [Best Buy School Tech Grant](#) program. Through these grants, students will be able to access the latest technology to help keep them motivated and focused as they move towards post-secondary education.

"During these challenging times we understand that it is more important than ever to provide students with access to technology." said Karen Arsenault, Best Buy Canada's Social Impact Manager. "The key to success for our recipients was the passion of the teachers and principals who outlined how much additional technology would impact their students by helping to build a foundation of tech skills that will prepare them for their future."

As part of this program, Best Buy Canada is excited to team up with Samsung's Solve for Tomorrow program, which provides technology to boost interest and proficiency in Science, Technology, Engineering or Math (STEM) learning among teachers and students. Through this partnership, Samsung has selected two schools to provide custom curated technology packages to enhance their STEM programs.

"While we have always embraced technology as a force for good and recognized it as an impactful, meaningful and helpful tool, now more than ever, it is evident how important technology is to connecting students to learning opportunities," said Jennifer Groh, Director, Corporate Marketing and Citizenship, Samsung Canada. "We are proud to partner with Best Buy Canada as part of our Samsung Solve for Tomorrow program and look forward to seeing how teachers and students apply this technology to inspire STEM learning."

The schools receiving a Best Buy School Tech Grant are:

- Terry Fox Secondary – Port Coquitlam, BC
- South Rutland Elementary – Kelowna, BC
- Liidlil Kue Elementary School – Fort Simpson, NT
- Brightview School – Edmonton, AB
- St. Gregory School – Regina, SK
- Heydon Park Secondary School – Toronto, ON
- Roger Neilson Public School – Peterborough, ON
- Carson Grove Elementary School – Gloucester, ON

- Jean-Nicolet - Montréal-Nord, QC
- École du Campanile – Québec, QC
- Edith Cavell – Moncton, NB

The schools receiving a Samsung Solve for Tomorrow Technology Grant are:

- Stride Avenue Community School – Burnaby, BC
- Catholic Central High School – Windsor, ON

Best Buy Canada focuses its social impact on supporting youth to connect with technology to inspire, motivate and empower their education. Over the past 12 years, Best Buy has provided more than \$2.2 million to 225 Canadian schools to purchase new technology, in addition to offering post-secondary scholarships and supporting youth with hands-on tech learning opportunities.

In September, Best Buy will offer the opportunity again for elementary and secondary schools apply for this program. Educators interested in being notified when grants are next available can email [schoolgrants@bestbuycanada.ca](mailto:schoolgrants@bestbuycanada.ca).

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